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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed August 16, 2007, applicants submit the following amendments and remarks for entry in the above-identified case.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.